

**REMARKS / ARGUMENTS**

The examiner and undersigned engaged in a phone interview on 03/11/03 to discuss the merits applicants' patent application. Undersigned suggested to the examiner that the undersigned is willing to narrow the main claim by including the limitation that the baffle opening exists in the baffle before the airbag is inflated. Undersigned presented his position to the examiner that Carey does not teach or suggest a baffle with a baffle opening that exists before inflation gas fills the airbag. The examiner agreed with undersigned contention, and accordingly undersigned submits that said patent application is now in condition for allowance.

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendments. The attached pages are captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE".

Respectfully submitted,



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**Version with Markings to Show Changes Made**

**In the Claims:**

1. (Amended) An airbag comprising:

an inflatable cushion made from a first material having an inflator opening to accommodate receipt of an inflator; and

a baffle comprising a second material and a baffle opening, the baffle opening being aligned with at least one-third of the inflator opening and having an area that is at least one-half of the area of the inflator opening, wherein the baffle opening is present in the baffle before the airbag is filled with inflation gas from the inflator.